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Docket No. A2011-42

## **Postal Regulatory Commission**

Washington, D.C. 20268-0001

NOTICE OF FILING UNDER 39 U.S.C. § 404(d)

TO THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE:

Please take notice that on August 10, 2011, the Commission received a petition for review of the Postal Service's determination to close the Rex post office located in Rex, North Carolina. The petition for review was filed by James E. Shaw (Petitioner) and is postmarked July 27, 2011.

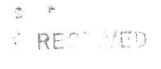
This notice is advisory only and is being furnished so that the Postal Service may begin assembling the administrative record in advance of any formal appeal proceedings held upon the alleged (closing/consolidation) for transmittal pursuant to 39 CFR § 3001.113(a) (requiring the filing of the record within 15 days of the filing with the Commission of a petition for review). The Postal Service's administrative record is due no later than August 25, 2011.

Ruth Ann Abrams
Acting Secretary

Date: August 10, 2011

Attachment

Postal Regulatory Commission 901 New York Avenue NW, Suite 200 Washington, DC 20268-0001



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To Whom It May Concern:

Reference:

POST LEGILATORY
Final determination to close the Rex, North Carolina Post Office and continue to provide service by independent post office. Date of Posting: 07/08/2011 – Date

of Removal: 08/09/2011 Docket Number 1379141-28378

On behalf of the citizens of Rex Community we would like to appeal the decision to close Rex Post Office.

Rex, North Carolina is a small rural community located in the Northern part of Robeson County. Like life, supplying veins, America has over three million miles of roads. Some of these are very expensive four and six lane highways that carry uncountable thousands of motorists to their work places and to people's pleasures. Additional huge loads of commerce travel these trails to our nations businesses every day. There are smaller roads that connect one city with another city, one town with another. And then there are the narrow dirt roads which seem lost in those out-of-the-way places where America still lives as she did during quieter times.

In 1897 the post office trail was established in the village of Rex. Its primary purpose was a service of communications and a means for handling commercial orders, along with providing a more abundant life. For over a century this trail has broadened and lengthened, because of the hundreds who chose to receive its services at Rex Post Office. It is certainly not located on a national turnpike or a parkway, but is situated by a surfaced highway dedicated to providing a key service that Americans seek throughout this land.

The population served by the Post Office is approximately 650 people within a two mile radius with 70% non-white and 30% white. There are five churches in the immediate area of the Post Office and the potential for growth is good. The citizenry feels the degree of regular and effective services will be reduced dramatically if the Post Office is closed. Service is so important to a number of senior citizens, poverty stricken, unemployed, limited educational background, individuals with no transportation or limited transportation. The previous mention reasons and community identity highlight the need for this postal service to remain in Rex. Having a retail outlet post office in the community is very important to the special populations that live in our locale that is served by Rex Post Office and without question the population is going to grow.

We are more than understanding of the need to be more efficient and would support reduced hours to maintain our service at Rex Post Office.

Attached is a list of citizens from the Rex Community and patrons of the post office who support the appeal and request your reconsideration for the Post Office at Rex to remain open.

Sincerely.

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Rex Presbyterian Church

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# Appeal to the Postal Rate Commission: Washington, D. C. April 28, 2011 Citizens of the Rex Community and Patrons of the Rex Post Office Rex, North Carolina 28378

We make the following appeal: Per the letter, dated March 1, 2011, by Jacqueline Williams for Operation Program Support received by all postal service customers of the Rex, North Carolina Post Office concerning the possible change in postal service.

The citizens of the Rex Community and those whose postal service is provided by the Rex Post Office, located in Rex, North Carolina 28378, wish to make an urgent request to maintain the postal service that exists at the Rex Post Office.

We feel that the degree of regular and effective service will be reduced. Service is so important to a number of senior citizens, poverty-stricken citizens, citizens with limited educational backgrounds, citizens with limited transportation, and citizens who would lose their community identity. These concerns, especially the concern of community identity, highlight the need for this postal service to remain in our community. The Rex Post Office is the focal point for our small community and provides full postal service that can not be provided through other options should the post office be closed.

We understand the need for efficiency and would be supportive of reduced hours to maintain our service at the Rex Post Office.

The undersigned citizens request your support to maintain postal service at the Rex Post Office, Rex, North Carolina 28378.

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